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Congress to George III, King of England

The United States of America

New York, March 14, 1785

*To His Majesty, George the Third
King of Great Britain, France & Ireland &c., &c.*

We have ordered one of our most respectable Citizens, John Adams Esqr. to repair to your Majesty in the character of our Minister Plenipotentiary. We flatter ourselves that this measure will promote the good understanding which we wish may always subsist between the two Countries, and we intreat your Majesty to give full Credit to whatever he shall say on our part, particularly when, agreeable to our Instructions, he shall assure you of the disposition and desire of the United States, to cultivate the most friendly and liberal Intercourse between your Majesty's Health and Happiness—

Done by the United States of A. in Congress Assembled at the City of New York on the ____ day of _____ 1785.

*By the unanimous Order of Congress
President*